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## REMARKS

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 16 and 17 are canceled and new claims 18 and 19 are added. No new matter is presented and, accordingly, approval and entry of the new claims 18 and 19 are respectfully requested.

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement imposed in the Office Action mailed March 3, 2004, applicants elect claims 1-15 of invention I, without traverse.

In accordance with that election claims 16 and 17 of Group II have been canceled.

New claim 18/1 depends from claim 1 and new claim 19/18 depends from new claim 18 and, accordingly, these claims fall within the scope of invention I and consideration of these claims on the merits, along with claims 1-15, respectfully requested.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

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